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Applicant: **Betty A. McDaniel, et al**

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For: **Method of Improving the Lookup Performance of Tree-Type Knowledge Base Searches**

AMENDMENT

August 26, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action remailed on August 18, 2005 (initially mailed April 27, 2005 and remailed after a telephone conversation between Examiner Bell and Ms. Pam Pagel, the undersigned's Administrative Assistant), the Applicants hereby submit amendments to the specification and to certain claims and related remarks for the Examiner's consideration.